[Mr. K. Krishnan Nayar.]

preference to the claims of clerks who have acted as Inspectors for longer periods?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mr. W. V. Thomas, permanent clerk on Rs. 40, with a total service of 6 months and 16 days, as Ag. Inspector, on the date of his last acting appointment, *viz.*, 23-5-1107.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The clerk was appointed by the Commissioner of Police in reconsideration of previous orders and based on confidential reports received from District Superintendents concerning all who had previously acted.

Local option in Changanachery.

170. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long it is since local option was introduced at Changanachery;

(*b*) whether it has been a success; and

(*c*) if so, whether they think of introducing it in other places as well?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Three years. It was introduced at Changanachery in April 1929.

(*b*) The result is being watched and it is not yet time to say definitely that the experiment is a success.

(*c*) No; Government propose to watch the working of the experiment at Changanachery for some time more.

Revenue, expenditure and population of the Devicolam Division.

171. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) the revenue collected in 1106 M. E. from the Devicolam Division;

(*b*) the expenditure incurred on account of the Devicolam Division in 1106; and

(*c*) the population of the Devicolam Division as per the Census of 1931?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*). (*a*) The revenue collected in 1106 from the Devicolam Division is as under—

(1) Land Revenue	—	Rs. 1,79,435
(2) Capital Revenue	—	Rs. 1,15,377
(3) Income Tax	—	Rs. 1,58,045
	Total	Rs. 4,52,857

(*b*) The expenditure incurred on account of Land Revenue and Income Tax Departments in the Devicolam Division in 1106 amounted to Rs. 82,340.

(*c*) 105,224.

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